1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 6 AT TACOMA 7 LAURA L. TIMLICK, CASE NO. C16-5797 BHS 8 Plaintiff, ORDER DENYING PARTIES' 9 v. MOTION TO CONTINUE 10 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., et al., Defendants. 11 12 13 This matter comes before the Court on the parties' stipulated motion to continue 14 trial and remaining deadlines (Dkt. 36). 15 On October 12, 2017, the parties filed the instant stipulation requesting an 16 extension of remaining and past deadlines and the trial date. *Id.* The parties assert that they need additional time to explore settlement. Id. "A schedule may be modified only 17 for good cause and with the judge's consent." Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(4). The possibility 18 19 of a settlement exists in almost every case and, without more, is not good cause to extend 20 deadlines, especially ones that have already passed. Therefore, the Court **DENIES** the 21 parties' motion without prejudice. If the parties intend to file a new motion for extension 22

of dates, the Court will be very reluctant to extend the dispositive motions deadline and trial date. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated this 16th day of October, 2017. United States District Judge